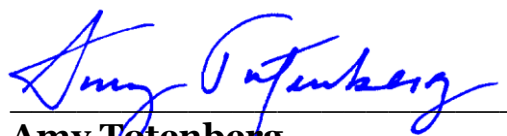


the State Defendants (i.e., Brian P. Kemp, the State Election Board and its individual members, and Merle King) to communicate on a timely basis with all relevant third parties, such as the Federal Bureau of Investigation, regarding assistance in the immediate preservation of relevant data; data storage; media devices, discs, and tapes; and other relevant software, data, and hardware in this case.

At the same time, the Court recognizes this case involves governments and public officials with legal duties and responsibilities to execute the business of the State of Georgia, including preparations for upcoming and future elections. Inherent in those duties is the transmission of data by and between the codefendants and various other agents of the state government and/or third parties.

Failure to obey this Order in good faith by any party or entity may result in the imposition of sanctions pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 37(b)(2) or contempt proceedings. If there should be any dispute or confusion about compliance with this Order, the Parties should first confer, and if the issues cannot be resolved, the Parties should notify the Court and request a phone conference, as appropriate.

IT IS SO ORDERED this 15th day of December, 2017.



Amy Totenberg
United States District Judge